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In re Application	:
Golovchinsky, et al.	:
Application No. 09/944,817	: DECISION ON APPLICATION
Filed: August 31, 2001	: FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT
Atty Docket No. FXPL-01001US0	:

This is a decision on the "APPLICATION FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.705(b)", filed June 19, 2007. Applicants request that the initial determination of patent term adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) be corrected from four hundred eighty-three (483) days to six hundred ninety-four (694) days.

The application for patent term adjustment is **GRANTED**.

The Office has updated the PAIR screen to reflect that the correct Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) determination at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is **six hundred ninety-four (694) days**. A copy of the updated PAIR screen, showing the correct determination, is enclosed.

On March 21, 2007, the Office mailed the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) in the above-identified

application. The Notice stated that the patent term adjustment (PTA) to date is four hundred eighty-three (483) days. On June 19, 2007, Applicants timely<sup>1</sup> submitted the instant application for patent term adjustment, asserting that the correct number of days of PTA at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is six hundred ninety-four (694) days.

Applicants assert entitlement to a patent term adjustment of six hundred ninety-four (694) days on the basis that the Office improperly assessed PTO delay for mailing a first Office action within fourteen months at six hundred, thirty-seven (637) days. Accordingly to Applicants, PTO delay should have been assessed as seven hundred forty-three (743) days. In addition, Applicants assert that they were improperly assessed Applicant delay of one hundred five (105) days for responding to an Office action, when in fact zero (0) days should have been assessed.

Applicants state that the patent issuing from the application is not subject to a terminal disclaimer.

The Office initially determined a patent term adjustment of four hundred eighty-three (483) days based on an adjustment for PTO delay of six hundred thirty-seven (637) days pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(A)(i) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1) and fifty-three (53) days pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(A)(ii) and 37 C.F.R. 1.703(a)(2), reduced by Applicants' delays of thirteen (13), one hundred five (105), thirty-two (32), one (1) and fifty-six (56) days, all pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(2)(C)(ii) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b).

The adjustment of six hundred thirty-seven (637) days has been found to be incorrect. A review of the file reveals that the application was filed on August 31, 2001. The Office mailed a first action on July 29, 2004, and was assessed delay of six hundred thirty-seven (637) days. However, a review of the file reveals that the Office erroneously mailed the action to the wrong address. The action was re-mailed to the correct address on November 12, 2004. Accordingly, it is concluded that the Office should have been assessed delay according to the November 12, 2004 date, or seven hundred forty-three (743) days, not the six hundred thirty-seven (637) days associated with July 29, 2004.

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<sup>1</sup> Applicants filed the application for patent term adjustment on the same date as the issue fee.

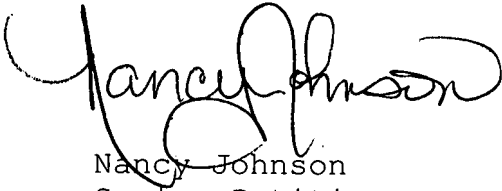
In view of the above, applicant should not have been assessed one hundred five (105) days of delay for filing a response on February 11, 2005, when the Office did not mail the action to the correct address until November 12, 2004. As the February 11, 2005 reply was timely, zero (0) days of applicant delay should have been assessed with respect to this filing.

In view thereof, the correct determination of patent term adjustment at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is **six hundred ninety-four (694) days** (796 (743+56) days of PTO delay and 102 (13+32+1+56) days of applicant delay).

The Office acknowledges submission of the \$200.00 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(e).

The application file is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Publication for processing into a patent.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to Cliff Congo, Petitions Attorney, at (571)272-3207.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Nancy" being more prominent than the last name "Johnson".

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## PTA Calculations for Application: 09/944817

Application Filing Date:	08/31/2001	PTO Delay (PTO):	690
Issue Date of Patent:		Three Years:	0
Pre-Issue Petitions:	0	Applicant Delay (APPL):	207
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